

The People on the Lower East Side Want Browder

The thousands of local voters who turned out to hear Earl Browder at his opening campaign meeting the other night, demonstrated that the people of the lower East Side WANT BROWDER IN CONGRESS.

It is just this enthusiastic response by the people

to Browder's candidacy which is so startling and terrifying to the Democratic and Republican Parties. It is the explanation for the desperate efforts being made to keep the Communist leader off the ballot.

It is when the prospects of a Communist for elec-

tion are brightest that the democratic process begins to move backwards while various elements scurry out of their holes to demand that the Communist candidate be barred.

The present moves to keep Browder off the ballot are a testimony to the strength of his campaign and

of his appeal as a candidate.

Vigilance against the war-makers who would prevent the people of the Fourteenth Congressional District from voting for a man of their own choice! Increased activity to send Browder—the candidate of peace—to Congress!

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**Another Quiet Day on Front,
Says Red Army**

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Jan. 27.—The communiqué of the Leningrad Military Area describing action yesterday on the Finnish fronts repeated the previous communiqué's statement that "on Jan. 26 nothing of importance took place at the front."

Con-Edison Company Union Move Assailed

Sudden Discarding of AFL Label Seen Attempt To Defeat CIO

By George Morris

Consolidated-Edison was yesterday charged with attempting to restore its old company union setup among the 39,000 workers employed by the utility.

The charge came from the Amalgamated Utility Workers of the CIO and from Harry Van Arsdale, Business manager of Local 3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of the A. F. of L., following announcement by spokesman for seven A. F. of L.-chartered locals among the employees, that they voted to become an independent organization.

"The company has failed to accomplish its purpose of blocking CIO organization with the IBEW puppet locals, and has maneuvered them into independent status," Edward T. Sheldon, President of the Amalgamated said.

HITS IBEW HEAD

"The dissolution of the locals is a blow against company-unionism, and the new independent will go the same way." Edison employees want genuine collective bargaining, and they are going to get it through the Amalgamated Utility Workers of the CIO.

"Bignally, this is an effort to deliver many thousands of workers into the hands of one of the most powerful monopolies in the world—the Consolidated Edison Co." Van Arsdale said.

He sharply attacked the leadership of the seceding locals as "treacherous" giving as chief reason

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Farm-Laborite Brands Loans A Step to War

Minneapolis Leader Urges Clear Policy of Neutrality

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 25.—We must have a clear program against war loans to Finland which are but a war move. And we must demand the things that people need and fight for them."

Selma Seestrom, secretary of the Hennepin County Farmer Labor Association, thus challenged to the "coalitionists" of the association at a meeting of the 11th and 12th Ward Club last night.

"How can Minnesota liberals get together?" was the subject for discussion. Paul Rasmussen former budget commissioner and Thomas Gallagher also participated.

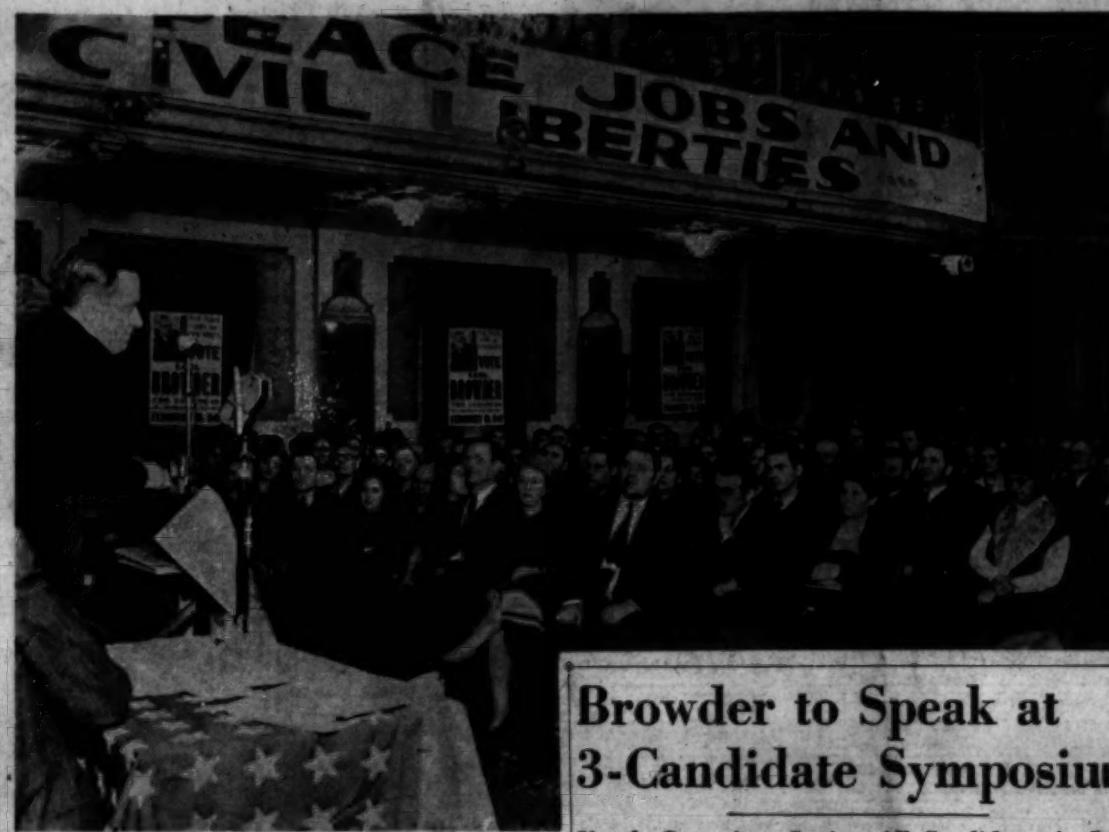
"We are not interested in just electing candidates or dividing patronage," Miss Seestrom declared. "The populist movement fused with the Democrats and was lost completely."

STEP TO WAR

"With the war going on in Europe and threatening to engulf us, with the New Deal being turned into a defense program, with civil rights being denied to us, we must have a clear program against war loans to Finland which is but a war

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People of East Side Hear Communist Candidate



EARL BROWDER OPENS CAMPAIGN IN 14TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT—The outstanding defender of the peace sentiments of the American people, Earl Browder, Communist candidate for Congress in special election in 14th Congressional District, is shown as he addressed a mass meeting at opening of his campaign for election at Manhattan Hall Thursday night.

Browder to Speak at 3-Candidate Symposium

Youth Committee Invites All Candidates in 14th Congr. Dist.—Election Board Sets Hearing on Red-Baiters' Effort to Rule Him Off Ballot

Dan Saunders, secretary of the Non-Partisan Youth Committee of the 14th Congressional District, announced yesterday a three-cornered youth symposium to be held at Manhattan Plaza, East Fourth St., west of Second Ave., Tuesday, Jan. 30, at 8:30 P.M.

This symposium, according to Saunders, will hear Earl Browder, Communist candidate; Lefkowitz, Republican, and Edelstein, Tammanyite, discuss the position of each candidate with respect to the issues affecting the young people in the district.

Henry Winslow, head of a committee of 100 YCLers, reported that YCL election workers are meeting with warm and cordial response from the young people.

Hearing on the objections raised by the two reactionary Red-baiters, Lambert Fairchild and John J. O'Connor, to the petitions filed for Earl Browder for Congress from the 14th Congressional District, will be held Tuesday morning, Jan. 30, 10:30, at the office of the Board of Elections, 406 Broome St.

This announcement was made yesterday at the regular meeting of the Board when attorneys for Browder appeared to press for speedy action on the petitions. Originally the hearings were scheduled for Feb. 2, four days before Election Day, Feb. 6.

While the four members of the Board, S. Howard Cohen, David Costuma, Heffernan and Jacob Livingston, claimed that they would only pass on the qualifications of Browder's candidacy, it was obvious

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Late News Bulletin On Browder Meeting

1,000 AT RALLY HEAR FOSTER

William Z. Foster, chairman of the Communist Party, was the principal speaker at a rally last night at Manhattan Center, 66 East 4th St., in Earl Browder's campaign for election to Congress in the 14th district on the East Side.

More than 1,000 people gathered to hear Foster. The rally, one of a series which is being held before the election on Feb. 6, was held under the auspices of the Russian-Ukrainian division of the Browder Campaign Committee.

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Pravda Explains 'Frozen' War on Western Front

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 26.—A leading article in Pravda, central organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, today analyzed the significance of the present lull of military operations on the Western Front in terms of the imperialist war plans of Britain and France. The article was headed, "All Quiet on the Maginot-Siegfried Line."

"The English and French troops are concentrated at the Maginot Line and the German troops at the Siegfried Line. Yet there are no serious military operations," the article said.

"What does this 'frozen war' mean? Perhaps the imperialists do not want to sacrifice millions of lives for the sake of their mercenary, predatory aims?

"No, this is not the reason for the comparative quiet on the French-German frontier."

"In order to convince oneself that the nature of Anglo-French imperialism is still the same, one only has to turn one's attention to what is doing on the sea."

"It then becomes immediately clear that the warmongers are not sparing their own nor other nations, that for the sake of their imperialist aims they are dooming an ever-greater number of persons in ever-new countries and states to a result of trumped up charges, the Communist Party of Canada

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Detroit Gives Dies Meeting A Big Yawn

By William Allan

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Jan. 26.—Detroiters Thursday night proved to the world and particularly to Dies Committee man Noah Mason that they want no part of Dies, his Committee, or Mr. Mason himself.

The proof was in the yawning void when Mason arose to speak at a much publicized "anti-Communist" meeting in Olympia Auditorium where 800 persons sat forlornly in a space built for 20,000.

Sixty thousand free tickets had been distributed throughout the city, in all the factories and in all stores. And the pitiful handful that showed up to hear Mason de-

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"We Canadians thank you," writes Tim Buck in a stirring tribute to Browder on behalf of the Canadian people.

Buck's letter follows:

"Toronto, Ontario, January 23, 1940
Earl Browder, General Secretary, Communist Party, U.S.A.
Dear Comrade:

"In protesting against the outrageous sentence imposed upon you, we are doing our best to expose the lies of the warmongers.

"Dear Comrade:

"We are deeply shocked by the vicious gag sentence passed against Earl Browder because of his ceaseless struggle for peace in behalf of the people, men and women everywhere are rallying to the cause of Browder's freedom because they recognize his fight as their own.

Following is a letter signed by eight members of the Sigma Nu Fraternity of Wesleyan University at Middletown, Connecticut:

"Editor, Daily Worker:

"We are deeply shocked by the vicious gag sentence which in the name of Americanism has made Mr. Browder its victim. Even such an august publication as the New York Times has made the

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The Typewriter Generals Are Groggy From Their Own Lies Bouncing Back

By Ernest Moorer

Not infrequently the lies of the typewriter generals come home to roost, as for example Monday, when The New York Times needed a story to back up an editorial the purpose of which was to warn that White Guard Finland was in serious danger despite the "devastating defeats" these typewriter generals have contrived to win over the Red Army.

The Times thereby put its ace "atrocious" concealer, Harold Denny, on the spot, because it forced him to admit that he had been lying all along about the "bombing of civilians" by Red Army planes.

Denny's piece was intended to show that while correspondents warming their feet at the Finnish propaganda office have been writing reams about imaginary de-

feats to the Red Army on the fighting fronts, a serious situation was developing in the rear where Red Army planes have been cutting important rail lines and demolishing concentrations of military stores. Here's where his earlier lies about "bombing of civilians" went skyhigh.

He tells about wrecked warehouses and factories he saw in Abo. Then:

GETTING DOWN TO THE TRUTH

"The loss of human life as the result of Soviet air raids on the civilian population has been considerable, but it is extraordinarily small in proportion to the Soviet expenditure of efforts. . . . It is estimated that Russia has lost more trained aviation personnel in its air raids

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STAY OUT OF THE WAR, WHEELER TELLS MINERS

Browder Condemns Provocation at Miners' Convention

In connection with the provocation at the national convention of the United Mine Workers of America at Columbus Thursday, Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, issued the following statement:

"The provocation that took place at the convention of the United Mine Workers was the act of persons who hate and want to destroy both the organized labor movement and the Communist Party."

Warn Allies on 'Volunteers' to Mannerheim

Opposition to War on USSR Grows in Britain

See editorial—"Eventually, Why Not Now? F. D. R. Hinckis to Our Boys."

Mayor Blames Oil Profiteers For Shortage

Firms Rush to Grab War Orders, Let City Wait

Mayor LaGuardia disclosed yesterday that the big oil companies, by profiteering in foreign oil, had created a fuel oil shortage in New York City.

He telephoned the president of seven oil companies telling them that the "good will of consumers is worth more" than the "temporarily inflated prices of foreign orders" and asked assurance that a supply of oil will be forthcoming.

It was believed here that the time of departure and the number of "volunteers" going from Britain and France to Finland would depend both on the Arctic climate conditions and on Allied requirements elsewhere.

Pittsburgh minister G. A. Grignon has already presented to the British Foreign Office a list of (White-Guard) Finnish requirements and discussion of how to meet these is continuing.

Both British and French official spokesmen have repeatedly promised "substantial" aid to (White-Guard).

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Hines Conviction Is Upheld by Appellate Court

The conviction of James J. Hines, former Tammany district leader, on charges of furnishing political protection for a vast lottery combine, was upheld yesterday by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court.

Hines was sentenced to four to eight years imprisonment after his conviction on Feb. 23, 1939. He was accused of using his influence to protect members of a policy racket operated by Dutch Schultz.

The court also ordered the removal of Hulon Capshaw from his position as city magistrate. Charges against him of obstructing justice grew out of testimony at the Hines trial.

Stockholm, Sweden, Jan. 26 (UPI)—The American Legation today invited all American living in Sweden to leave the country in view of the general European situation and the decreasing communication possibilities.

Student Groups Flay Conviction of Browder

case abundantly clear for all whose eyes are not blinded by their frightened hatred of "Bolshevism." We, who hitherto have observed from the sidelines the great struggle of the working people to secure those rights which were declared to be theirs when our nation first freed itself from the oppression of British imperialism, are unable to remain indifferent to such an outrage.

"We are gratified by the courage with which the Daily Worker has fought in the past; and we are confident that it will continue to fight in the face of ever more powerful opposition. Feeling it is our duty as Americans to support you in every possible way, we en-

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Calls for "Vigorous Enforcement" of All-Civil Rights Laws

LEWIS GETS PLAQUE
Convention Celebrates Firm Unity in Ranks of U.M.W.A.

By Louis F. Budenz

(Special Correspondent of the Daily Worker)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 26.

—Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana was given a national sounding board today at the United Mine Workers Convention, and made use of it to state that the United States should not "become involved in any of the foreign wars."

The Montana Senator brought loud applause with his declaration: "Let us not allow foreign affairs to divert our attention away from what is far more important to us, namely, the solution of our domestic problems."

Before the largest crowd of visitors that has yet occupied the galleries, and after an enthusiastic reception by the delegates, Wheeler stressed in particular the urgency of protecting the civil rights of all our people."

Calling for "vigorous enforcement of the federal civil rights statutes," Wheeler stated "labor—as well as every other group—recognizes that our bill of rights was adopted to protect every one, in times of hysteria—when intolerance and bigotry sweep the nation."

"It should always be remembered," he warned, "that intolerance—whether racial, religious, political or economic—is dangerous—either for the workers or the rural population."

Stating that "either private industry will furnish work to the unemployed or the government," the Montana Senator declared that "the U. S. Government must assume the lead" in meeting the problem. He called for the same move that President Lewis had called for before: that the national leaders of industry, agriculture and labor should be called together to meet and confer and recommend programs by which we may achieve industrial democracy and economic and social security."

As to the domestic problems which he held to be paramount, Wheeler told the audience that "unemployment and the farm problem must be solved for the nation can



MOONEY AND BILLINGS MEET BROWDER DURING 1937 ELECTION CAMPAIGN—Earl Browder visits Mooney and Billings during his coast-to-coast election campaign in 1936. (left to right) Tom Mooney, Earl Browder and Warren K. Billings.

The Man They Want to Get

Browder Defended Mooney When 'Socialist' Warmongers Betrayed Him

By Robert Minor

Chairman of the Defense Committee for Civil Rights for Communists
(Ninth of a series of sketches on the life of Earl Browder.)

Earl Browder, who may very probably soon be Congressman Browder from the Fourteenth District of New York is already one of the leaders of American public life.

And if you want to know something about leadership, as it develops in the working class, and as it there takes form as the coming leadership of the nation, cast your eyes back a quarter of a century to the struggle in the trade unions for the defense of Tom Mooney.

The effort to hang the young California labor leader Mooney was called by the prosecutors, the corporations, the newspapers, and by most of the top leaders of the A. F. of L. "just a murder case." The state secretary of the Socialist Party of California of that time thought so too, and she wrote that the young Socialist Party member, Tom Mooney, was "not a socialist but an anarchist and probably guilty."

The Mooney case, however, was a labor case, and it became a pivot upon which the history of American labor turned for a full and stormy generation. Eugene V. Debs was the only member of the National Committee of the Socialist Party willing to defend Mooney at the beginning of the struggle, but the sifting out of the whole leadership of socialism in America was nevertheless accomplished precisely by that struggle. Among those who fought for Mooney at the beginning nearly all were later expelled from the Socialist Party because they fought for genuine Marxist policies in the Socialist Party. Most of these who are now still living are leaders of the Communist Party. A roster of the active members of the trade unions who fought for Mooney would read almost like a list of those who later contributed most to the tremendous advance of labor

in basic industry during the past few years.

Earl Browder was one of the earliest defenders of Tom Mooney immediately after the arrest in the summer of 1916. The writer of these articles was then the head of the delegated committee of A. F. of L. unions defending Mooney, had the duty of corresponding with all who might be enlisted in the defense of Mooney. Among these were Earl Browder, C. E. Ruthenberg, William Z. Foster, Ella Reeve Bloor, Max Bedact, Jack Johnson, William D. Haywood, Jim Larkin—and, as I said, Eugene V. Debs, the only member of the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party to respond. It is almost uncanny to see how the Mooney case sifted them out.

Tom Mooney's arrest was part of the profiteers' drive against labor, to prevent organization and thereby to prevent labor's sharing in the big war profits. Woodrow Wilson was running for re-election that year, 1916, on the ground that "he kept us out of war." But he was preparing to drag America into that war even during his campaign.

That is why the genuine leaders of the American workers saw that the Mooney case was not "a murder case," but was a challenge flung by Wall Street in the face of labor and of all the real American people.

Today it is Earl Browder who is under attack. This is the challenge before the American movement—a trade union movement grown to three times the size it was in 1916. This is the challenge to the entire American people, 96½ per cent of whom are indicated by the Gallup poll to be opposed to the plan of the American ruling class to get our America into the war. When the Communist Party says "We must keep our country out of war," the decisive fact is that this party and the vast majority of the population are on this all important matter, fully in accord.

The defense of Earl Browder today is the defense of our nation against those who would draw us into the most reactionary imperialist war of all time.

(Next: How they failed Browder for opposing the last war—in an 18-minute "trial.")

Mexico Honors Famed German Exile in Death

By Alfred Miller
(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 26.—Mexico, its government, the labor movement and the intellectual world, bestowed last honors upon Prof. Alfons Goldschmidt, German refugee economist, at his burial at the Pantheon Civil here early this week.

The government of President Lazaro Cardenas arranged the funeral and the leaders of Mexico's progressive forces, together with a large group of Mexican students and workers and all anti-fascist Germans in the capital, accompanied the funeral cortège.

Vicente Lombardo Toledano, leader of the Mexican labor movement, Prof. Mario Sauta, director of the School of Economics of the National University where Prof. Goldschmidt had taught, Margarita Nelken, representing the Spanish Communist Party, and Ludwig Renn, for the German Cultural League in Mexico, were some of the speakers who honored the dead fighter against imperialism and fascism and the best German friend Mexico has had since Baron von Humboldt.

Dr. Gonzalez Aparicio, head of the Labor Bank and an old student of Prof. Goldschmidt, spoke in the name of Cardenas.

The President joins in our sorrow about the death of one of the most brilliant exponents of economic thought," he said.

Lombardo Toledano, who had known Alfons Goldschmidt since the day he first came to Mexico in 1922, lauded him as a "great German because he was a great man."

Philippine Ship Aground and Breaking Up

MANILA, Saturday, Jan. 27 (UPI).—The Radio Corporation of America station here today intercepted an SOS from the liner President Queen, formerly the American mail liner President Madison, stating that she was aground on a rock and that her engine room was flooding fast.

The liner, a vessel of 14,187 tons and known to thousands of American travelers, earlier had reported receipt of an SOS from the Norwegian steamer Fu Yung which was sinking off Hachijo Island, southwestern Japan.

She was due in Shanghai tomorrow on her maiden voyage to Manila from Pacific Coast ports. The ship is owned by Philippine inter-

German Guns Hammer Allied Troop Movement

BERLIN, Jan. 26 (UPI).—German guns held a region south of Apach on the Western Front under fire late yesterday to break up Allied troop movements while an enemy patrol was thrown back southwest of Fließbach "with losses for the enemy," a German military announcement said today.

On various sectors of the front the Allies' artillery engaged in sporadic fire. It was said, but there were "no noteworthy events" on the front today.

Lutheran Body Scores FDR On Vatican Tie

Naming of Taylor 'Violates' American Traditions, Council Declares

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—The National Lutheran Council, representing two-thirds of all Lutherans in the United States, yesterday criticized as "in violation of the best American tradition" President Roosevelt's actions in naming Myron C. Taylor as his personal representative to the Pope and in sending U. S. Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy to the coronation of the present Pope.

As authorized by the council a statement was drafted by a committee composed of the Rev. Dr. Frederick H. Knobel of New York, president of the United Lutheran Church; the Rev. Dr. Ralph H. Long of New York, executive director of the council, and the Rev. Dr. L. W. Boe, president of St. Olaf's College in Northfield, Minn.

The action followed similar declara-

New for Dixie



DIXIE GETS A TASTE OF NORTHERN WINTERS: Workers clearing a street in the business section of Atlanta, Ga., after the heaviest snowstorm in a generation. Traffic in the city, which was unequipped for speedy snow removal, was partly paralyzed for hours.

European War Skyrockets US Arms Industry

Export War Trade More Than Doubles, State Dep't Reveals

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (UPI).—The European war skyrocketed America's arms export trade to \$304,555,700 in 1939, more than double the total for 1938, the State Department disclosed today.

One of the purchasers was White-Guard Finland with a total of \$4,487,000 for 1939. It went for planes, propellers, motors and spare parts; \$320,000 of this material had been delivered at the end of the year.

The heaviest purchasers were Great Britain and her dominions, and France. The bulk of the arms trade consisted of aircraft, motors and airplane parts.

Although the State Department granted licenses totaling \$304,555,700, actual shipments amounted to only \$102,298,208. Licenses granted in 1938 reached only \$83,000,000.

The month of December, in which new licenses totaling \$35,262,313 were issued, set a record for 1939. Actual exports in that month were \$26,219,174. The Department revealed that France was the No. 1 buyer with total licenses of \$123,120,267 during the year. Of this \$85,519,210 went for military planes; \$27,955,963 for aircraft engines and \$7,057,827 for propellers and parts.

During December alone \$14,479,261 worth of military planes and \$3,377,000 in engines and propellers, were delivered in France.

Great Britain obtained licenses covering \$20,991,067 worth of war materials and deliveries were valued at \$31,436,389. Australia got licenses worth \$11,000,000 worth of military planes and Canada spent \$6,000,000.

Sets Canadian Election for Late in March

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 26 (UPI).—Prime Minister W. J. MacKenzie King announced today that Canada's general election probably would be held on either March 18 or 26.

The chief electoral officers is making investigations as to the earliest date which the election could be called," King said. "As soon as I have received his report an announcement will be made."

"I should like to have the election before Easter and if it is physically possible, I will do so."

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and known to thousands of American travelers, earlier had reported receipt of an SOS from the liner President Queen, formerly the American mail liner President Madison, stating that she was aground on a rock and that her engine room was flooding fast.

Hated and persecuted by the Hitler regime, Alfons Goldschmidt was forced to flee his own country early in 1933. He came again to Mexico in 1937 and was a professor at the School of Economics of the National University and Professor at the Workers University, of which Lombardo Toledano is the director.

RAISED LAND OF SOCIALISM

For three years, from 1923 until 1925, Professor Goldschmidt taught political economy at the National University while at the same time conducting studies at the National Agrarian College at Chapinge.

In 1920 Goldschmidt first visited the Soviet Union, the country which he always considered as "the bulwark and the hope of the oppressed of all lands." With a large delegation of the Academy of Sciences of Leningrad, he went on a large excursion through Central Asia in 1922. For some time after he worked at the International Agricultural Institute at Moscow where he finished his work on the Mexican peasants.

His very end he remained a loyal friend of the Soviet people and their government.

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The traditions of socialist labor

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Pravda Explains 'Frozen' War on the Western Front

Allies Hesitate Fearing People if General Slaughter Starts, But Hunger Blockade and Drive to Involve Neutrals Continues

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famine, deprivation and suffering.

"The results of British piracy on the seas are economic ruin, curtailment in output due to shortage of raw materials, scarcity of products of primary necessity and the growth of unemployment in the neutral countries. A vicious and ruthless war is being waged."

"What is the explanation then for the silence at the Maginot-Siegfried front? Germany does not cross the frontier of France, does not attack the Maginot line, for very obvious reasons."

"The Anglo-French imperialists want to bring about the destruction of Germany, and their hold-back from immediate military offensive operations is explained in the main by a number of political considerations."

"A political situation in Britain and France at present is such that a senseless and unrestrained shedding of blood can call forth counter-action by the British and French people and would be fraught with political danger for the ruling circles of these countries."

PEOPLE ARE AGAINST THE WAR

"It has been impossible to whip up this time the chauvinistic frenzy which, with the aid of the corrupt clique of Social-Democracy, it was possible temporarily to create in the first imperialist war."

"Both Britain and France anti-war sentiments developed from the very outset of the war. The anti-war movement is steadily growing and spreading."

"The British imperialists are attacking the working class, cutting down on an already meager living wage, curtailing civil liberties and intensifying the repression."

"The loyal servants of British imperialism, the Labor leaders, visit France and are not at war to save democracy, the Rev. John G. Fleck, pastor of the Parkside Lutheran Church, said here at the concluding session of the recent two-day midwinter conference of the Western District Luther League. More than 175 Luther Leagues of Western New York attended the conference held in the church."

"There is little reason to suppose that England and France desire a democracy in Germany now any more than they did in 1919," the Rev. Mr. Fleck declared. "England and France want control of Europe. The powers that be in those countries are not interested in a democracy in Germany as they supported Hitler until he became a menace to them."

ECONOMIC RESULTS REALIZED

"For the most part, he said, the people at war do not want war because they "know the economic consequences of it."

"I suspect," he added, "that the present war will give us a worldwide depression which will make the last ten years look like a sun-day school picnic."

"If we want peace we must see that the means determine the end. We are being told that democracy is at stake, that the democracies must stand together and wipe out the dictatorships. We are told that Christianity is endangered and if Christianity goes a new dark age will begin."

"We are told that war may be wrong, but that we must all fight together to win. War does not bring peace, only an armed truce. War does not protect the women and children because the bombers always get through."

"The things said to be worse than war are the outcomes of war. War destroys democracy. If we want peace we must use methods that will produce peace."

"Political difficulties, as well as

to a certain extent military difficulties, have shaken the confidence of Anglo-French imperialism in victory over Germany. The Anglo-French imperialists decided to take Germany by starvation, they are seeking to involve as many countries as possible in the war against Germany and to use foreign cannon-fodder for their purposes."

"The pressing task of the bloc of aggressors is to draw the neutral countries into the orbit of war on the side of the so-called democratic bloc and in this very way to extend the theater of military operations."

"In the West the so-called neutrality of the United States has been secured. But this is not enough. The quest for allies continues. Anglo-French diplomacy is weaving its intrigues in the Near East. In the Balkans stubborn pressure is being brought to bear on Greece, Rumania and Yugoslavia. In Central and North Europe the attention of the warmongers is drawn to Belgium, Holland and Denmark. France's western neighbor, Spain, also continues to be the object of the desires of Anglo-French diplomacy. Lately the Anglo-French diplomats have been actively seeking to draw Norway and Sweden into war."

"Time is needed to get new allies and to join the Anglo-French bloc. And the neutral countries are not so de-

sirous to sacrifice their security for the sake of the interests of the Anglo-French bankers and industrial magnates."

"The diplomatic offensive on the neutral countries is strengthened by economic pressure, particularly on the Balkans. The Anglo-French imperialists still cherish hopes of bringing about the economic isolation of Germany."

"Despite the hullabaloo about friendship with the United States, the imperialist contradictions between the United States and Britain, and even between Britain and France, are by no means removed from the agenda."

"It should be noted that Britain and France started the war in a situation considerably less favorable than that on the eve of the first imperialist war. At that time tsarist Russia was at the service of the Entente."

"The tangled situation calls for intricate maneuvering. Hence the ominous quiet on the Maginot-Siegfried lines, which portends a protracted war."

"The Anglo-French imperialists want to turn this war into a world war. They have chosen a dangerous path for themselves, a path fraught with catastrophic consequences for the instigators of a new world slaughter."

4 More Ships Added to Toll For This Week

11 Vessels Sunk or Missing Since Saturday

BERLIN, Jan. 26 (UPI).—Great Britain has lost 46,749 tons of merchant shipping during the past week in the war at sea, including freighters and tankers, a German spokesman said today.

LONDON, Jan. 26 (UPI).—The sinking of four merchant ships, one by the torpedo of a German U-boat off the Portuguese coast, today increased to 11 the number of ship losses reported during the last week with at least 352 persons dead or missing.

The Spanish steamer Castillo de Monforte sank at Vigo with 28 survivors of the crew of the 4,000-ton French steamer Turuny, torpedoed and sunk in the Bay of Biscay Thursday night.

The captain and 11 crew members of the Swedish merchant ship Sonja were landed today at a port on the southwest Irish coast. Their vessel was sunk, presumably by a mine, last Sunday.

The Norwegian steamer Gudveig, 1,300 tons, and the Latvian steamer Everne, 4,434 tons, were reported today to have been sunk in the North Sea.

In the sinkings reported today 32 persons were reported

PICKETS MEET FIRST-NIGHTERS AT ANTI-NEGRO FILM IN CHICAGO

Lincoln Would Have Banned 'GWTW,' Say Placards

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—A cheap imitation of a Hollywood premiere at the opening of "Gone With The Wind" Oriental and Woods Theaters here was met by a mass demonstration which picketed the theaters under the slogan: "Gone With The Wind Is A Libel On the Negro People."

The picket line was conducted under the auspices of the International Labor Defense and was headed by William L. Patterson, well-known Negro leader and national vice-president of the ILD.

Other placards carried by demonstrators said: "Gone With The Wind Glorifies Human Slaves"; "Lincoln Would Have Banned Gone With The Wind"; "Where Was Will Hays When Gone With The Wind Was Passed?" and "Again Democracy Has Been Betrayed."

The demonstration won a hearty response from by-standers and spectators, one of whom said the placards "give the side of the story that Hollywood publicity hasn't mentioned."

Mott Anderson, Negro doorman of the Oriental Gardens across the street from the Oriental Theater, said: "I listened to a great many white people standing in front of the theater and they certainly kicked that damn film. They said it stirred up race hatred and should be banned. It's just that kind of stuff: the big shots like nowadays when they are having a tough time holding their own against the working man. The movies never show the Negro doing anything good. They always make fun of him and picture him as a clown."

The ILD and the National Negro Congress are making extensive plans for a public movement against the reactionary film. Many civic organizations have promised to participate in the campaign.

Blizzard in Japan Causes 16 Deaths

TOKIO, Jan. 26 (UPI)—At least sixteen persons were dead in avalanches, which buried houses and caused cave-ins as the worst blizzard in fifty years swept the Japanese seacoast.

Domestic news agency reported that about 1,000 passengers were trapped aboard stalled trains on the Hokuriku railway line.

Banker Gets Borah Post

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 26 (UPI)—John Thomas, Gooding banker, 59, today was appointed by Gov. C. A. Bortofson to succeed the late William E. Borah as U. S. Senator from Idaho.



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B'klyn Youth Group Denounces 'GWTW'

Film Is Called 'Vicious Slander Against Negro People'; Protest Opening at Brooklyn Theater, February 1

Brooklyn Negro youth, organized in a provisional youth committee, met in that borough and vigorously condemned lynch film "Gone With the Wind," which is scheduled for Loew's Metropolitan on February 1.

The film was characterized, as "a lying and vicious slander against the Negro people of our country" in a statement issued by the committee.

The Negro youth group's statement declared that the Ku Klux film "distorts and completely misrepresents the true history of the United States. It deliberately encourages racial hatred by portraying the Negro in the role of an idiot, rapist and buffoon."

The statement, signed by Patricia Williams, chairman, urged the people of Brooklyn to refrain from attending the showing of the film.

Transit Union To Picket City On 'El' Razing

Thousands of Veteran Workers, Faced with Job Loss to Take Part

Transport workers protesting the city administration plans for immediate demolition of the Second and Ninth Ave. El lines will picket City Hall today at noon.

Austin Hogan, president of the T.W.U. of Greater New York announced yesterday that during the picketing officials of the union would present Mayor LaGuardia a statement.

More than a thousand are expected to participate in the picket line, including veteran transit workers from the El lines whose jobs are threatened by the proposed demolition.

300 Canadian CIO Electrical Workers Strike for Raise

BROCKVILLE, Ont., Jan. 26 (UPI)—C. S. Jackson, Canadian representative of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America Union, (CIO) called a strike at the Phillips Electrical Co.

The union sought higher wages for employees, overtime for night work, improved grievances procedure, and union protection.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 26 (UPI)—Robert Miner, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, will speak on "Lenin and the Struggle Against Imperialist War," here, Sunday, at 3 P.M. at Rakoczi Hall, 624 Broadwick Ave.

Extensive preparations are being made to bring out one of the largest crowds that has ever assembled under the auspices of the Communist Party in Connecticut. In addition to the distribution of thousands of leaflets in English, special Hungarian leaflets and post cards are being addressed to the thousands of Hungarians living in the vicinity of Rakoczi Hall.

An excellent musical program has been organized featuring the Fraulein Gesang Farben choruses from New Haven, Hartford and Springfield in a group of Soviet songs and Phim Hall, outstanding Negro baritone, whose voice and talent are receiving wide acclaim in the state.

The meeting is sponsored by the Connecticut State Committee. Michael Russo, state chairman, will preside.

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Dust Bowl Victims Enticed To California

Senate Probers Hear Big Arizona Growers Cause 6,000 a Month Trek

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26 (UPI)—More than 6,000 dust bowl migrants move into California each month and the tide is not receding, the Senate Civil Liberties Committee heard today.

Carry McWilliams, chief of the State Division of Immigration and Housing, said in sections where the workers have found somewhat permanent employment they have built small homes in tiny subdivisions and that Gov. Culbert Olson was formulating a plan to regulate the camps with a State Housing Commission.

Laurene I. Hewes, Farm Security Administration regional director, charged that Arizona employers were inducing migrants to come there. They hoped to increase the labor surplus, thus decreasing labor costs, but, he said, the staff now was carrying the largest relief load in its history.

RAGE SURF DESTROYS RAILWAY LINE ON CALIFORNIA COAST—The Pacific Electric Railway's railroad at Sunset Beach was washed away by a combination of storm waves and a high tide, which halted service on the Long Beach-Surfside division and wrecked numerous piers and homes along the shore.



NEW JERSEY C.I.O. STREAMLINES SETUP FOR VIGOROUS DRIVE

Carney Announces Appointments of Sub-Regional Directors; Calls for Campaign to Organize the Unorganized

(Special to the Daily Worker)

NEWARK, Jan. 26.—William J. Carney, New Jersey State Regional Director of the CIO, announced that steps have been taken to streamline the organization machinery of the State Industrial Union Council for a concentrated drive to double CIO membership in New Jersey in 1940.

He announced the appointment of sub-regional directors for various parts of the state who will direct the drive and assist the locals in their region.

"In the face of the attacks upon the living standards, civil liberties and the peace of the American people," Carney declared, "we the CIO must devote all of our energies to organize the unorganized. For only through a powerful progressive trade union movement can the problems of keeping out of war, unemployment and social security be solved."

"We are launching a drive throughout the state to organize the mass production industries and to bring a greater measure of economic security to the working people of New Jersey."

The sub-regional directors announced by Carney follow:

E. L. Howard, for Bergen, Passaic,

Sussex and Warren counties; L. H. Goldsmith, Essex, Union, Morris and Somerset; S. A. Macri, Hud-

son, Middlesex and Monmouth; J. P. Sweeney, Mercer, Hunterdon and Burlington; George Craig, Camden, Gloucester, Cumberland and Salem.

In each of the counties organizational committees are to be set up and in the municipalities under them.

The CIO aims to center its drive in the automobile, steel, aviation, chemical and other of the industries which are today cashing in high rates of profits on war orders.

12 Mexican Fishermen Feared Lost in Storm

MATAMOROS, Tamaulipas State, Mexico, Jan. 26 (UPI)—Approximately 12 fishermen were reported today to have been lost in storms along the gulf coast last week. Reports that 47 were drowned were considered unfounded.

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Con-Edison Company Union Move Assailed

Sudden Discarding of AFL Label Seen Attempt To Defeat CIO

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son their refusal to concede to his local the construction and electrical alteration work of the company. At the same time Van Arsdale lashed out strongly at International President Dan Tracy of the IBEW for his part in maintaining a company-union set under an A. F. of L. label.

"However, it must be admitted," said Van Arsdale, "that the international organization was unwise in permitting inexperienced and incompetent leaders, in many cases former officers of the Edison Company union, to head the IBEW locals."

"Because of this the many individuals who had never expressed sincere desire to better the lot of their fellow workers were permitted to enjoy the prestige of bona-fide trade unionism in representing men whose interests were only secondary to the interests of the company."

"These officials have consistently sabotaged the efforts of the CIO and are now attempting to sabotage the work of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers."

Van Arsdale took the occasion of the press conference yesterday afternoon to fully repudiate published statements attributed to Bert Kirkman, Local 3 President, that the cessation move is engineered by the CIO and Communists.

"This is not the case at all. There is no charge of Communism here," Van Arsdale said.

NOT ACQUAINTED

He went on to explain that Kirkman is "not acquainted" with the situation and should have made no comment to newsmen.

Further light on the situation was thrown by the Amalgamated in its statement:

"The rapid maneuver (the session) became necessary as a result of the petition of the Amalgamated Utility Workers CIO, for an election, on which subject hearings and conferences had been held at the labor board since last October. It has been acknowledged by practically all the IBEW leaders that the CIO would emerge victorious in any election conducted by the board."

The CIO's statement explained that failure by the AFL-chartered locals to give any real protection to the Consolidated-Edison workers, made defeat in an election a foregone conclusion. The independent move, was to furnish a new label under which an attempt is to be made to defeat the CIO, the Amalgamated declared.

Yesterday's developments were the outcome of a "closed shop" contract that was suddenly announced by Tracy and Floyd Carlisle, vice-president of Consolidated Edison on March, 1937. At that time the IBEW had no members in the company's employ. But the CIO's union was making rapid progress in an organization drive that was leading up to a election.

TOOK OVER COMPANY UNION

On the day after the announcement, the old-established company union in the utility system, held a meeting and declared itself "disolved." In the course of the week,

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THE FRAUDS CONTINUE--WHO'S THE LIAR?



Two Russians gingerly hold up their frostbitten hands. Frostbite contracts arteries, first turns hands white, then red and swollen, then blistered like a burn. Then comes gangrene.

The heroic stand of the men of little Finland against the invading forces of great Russia has placed the fighting Finns among the most photographed men in the world. This is another in the rain of pictures which for some time have been descending upon this country. These soldiers were sniped while resting in a lull on the Karelian Isthmus front.

First Picture From Karelian Frontier

This exclusive picture is the first to arrive in the United States of the Karelian frontier during the Finnish-Soviet undeclared war. The picture made by Frank Muotio, International News Photos staff photographer, shows three Soviet prisoners taken by the dauntless Finns. These men were found with hands and feet frozen. They were extremely ill-clad against the terrible cold of the Karelian Peninsula.

These are typical of the flood of faked pictures of "Poor Little Finland" which have descended upon America and have as an object the hope of engulfing the American people into an anti-Soviet war. The Daily Worker has many times in the past exposed these fakes for what they are.

A Slogan Comes True---Partly

By William Z. Foster

National Chairman, Communist Party

By Wm. Z. Foster

In the middle of 1938 I paid a visit to J. B. McNamara and Warren K. Billings in Folsom Penitentiary, California. As we sat and talked I urged upon Billings that at last there was a good possibility for him and Tom Mooney to be pardoned. After the many disappointments during 22 years Billings, however, was a bit skeptical and, in line with the old Mooney-Billings defense campaign slogan, said: "We'll never get out until the workers come and take us out."

"Yes, Warren," I replied, "and that is precisely what the workers of California are about to do. They are going to elect Olson Governor in this Fall's election, on the specific understanding that he will turn you and Tom loose."

CRAFT CLASHES

Meanwhile, the industrial setup chartered by the IBEW to help Consolidated-Edison against the CIO, clashed with the craft unionism of the A. F. of L. The climax was reached with the Waterside Power plant job where construction involving several hundred men is to stretch for two years. The company gave that work to its lower paid "B" local members. An appeal by Local 3 to Tracy brought a decision ordering the work for Local 3 men. It is on this issue that the "B" locals made their formal break with the A. F. of L. But observers of the situation saw the break coming for some time. Herman Cooper, attorney for the Brotherhood of Consolidated Edison Employees, the new name of the seceding locals, said the break came over three other issues: refusal to give the locals equal rights with other affiliates of the IBEW, commensurate with their membership of 23,000; no return upon what they paid into the international treasury since they affiliated and no local autonomy.

Cooper said the new organization aims to be independent "just as the railroad brotherhoods" and denied that it has any connection with the company.

SAME OFFICERS

His denial, however, left unexplained the fact that on Thursday morning, when the "B" locals held their meeting to vote withdrawal, all former officers of the union were renamed. In most cases those are the very set of officers that Tracy took over from the former company-union setup on March 1937.

It is, nevertheless known, that disgust with the Tracy sellout to Consolidated-Edison mounted as its effect became apparent. There is strong sentiment favoring support for the CIO.

It is still a question on how successful the company will be in its policy. There was quite general agreement, however, that the AFL-chartered organizations proved bankrupt and stood no chance in the election.

RECALL 1928 UNION CRISIS

Pointing to the critical condition of the miners' union in 1928, Lewis told of how "the treasury of the organization was sadly taxed," and how "thousands of the miners were living on the hillsides."

At that hour, he went on, the Senate conducted an investigation of conditions in the coal mining industry through a sub-committee of the Committee on Foreign and Interstate Commerce. On this subcommittee sat Senator Wheeler, who left the legislative halls and went out into the mining communities and got the truth from the miners themselves."

From this investigation, Lewis said, proceeded those efforts to regulate the coal industry which has been crowned by the Guffey Coal Stabilization Bill.

To these praises Lewis added another touch of national campaigning when he invited all the dele-



WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

gates, at the conclusion of Wheeler's address, to greet the Senator on the platform as the session adjourned. A long line filed onto the stage and off, shaking the hand of the Senator, as the curtain fell on today's session.

WHEELER DODGES

The Senator himself, in a press conference on his arrival, purred all questions as to whether he is a candidate for President by laughingly calling attention to the fact that he is "running for re-election for Senator in Montana."

He did give a national political touch to the situation, however, by stating that President Roosevelt should announce whether he is a candidate for a third term or not. Otherwise, Wheeler contended, "chaos" would set in in the Democratic Party.

While Wheeler said to the newspaper men that he would support Roosevelt if he ran for a third term, he also added that he had always opposed the third term idea, voting for the LaFollette resolution on that question in 1924.

Prior to Wheeler's address, it was disclosed today that this is the first convention of the United Mine Workers in which no grievances were presented for consideration.

Such was the announcement of Frank Hughes, chairman of the committee on appeals and grievances, as the session opened this morning. One complaint presented to the committee was withdrawn by agreement before it came to the floor.

"I wonder if the newspapers and the public can draw any conclu-

so far, so good. At least three of Labor's martyrs in California were at liberty. But there still remain several other political prisoners in California's notorious penitentiaries—King, Ramsay, Conner and J. B. McNamara. Is it not high time that Olson did something for these men?

29TH YEAR BEHIND BARS

Especially for J. B. McNamara, who is now serving his twenty-ninth year because of the Los Angeles Times case. This hero of Labor has been treated barbarously by the authorities in California, including the Olson Administration. Were he not a militant worker he would have been set free many years ago. But the intention is evidently to hold him a prisoner until he dies, unless the workers interfere and insist upon his being freed.

That he does not release J. B. McNamara is another smear on the record of Governor Olson, in addition to those he has received because of his increasingly reactionary policies. Of course the conservatives of California would fume at McNamara's release. But so they did, too, at every proposal to liberate Tom Mooney. Any Governor calling himself a progressive should have the courage and principle to ignore these reactionary howls and return McNamara to the labor movement which he has served so boldly and loyally.

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Eventually, Why Not Now?— FDR's Hint to Our Boys

It is not only extraordinary that President Roosevelt should hint broadly that he looks with favor upon American boys "volunteering" for Mannerheim's forces.

What is equally extraordinary—and revealing—is that the President had rushed to get an official opinion on this problem two days after the war broke out between Britain and Germany. The United Press says he got an OK on American enlistments for Finland on September 5, 1939, more than three months before the outbreak of hostilities in Finland.

Finland had not even been mentioned in the headlines.

Yet President Roosevelt knew, three months in advance, that Finland would become a focal point of military interest for London, Washington and Wall Street.

How did Roosevelt know this? Exactly what kind of information passed between the Helsinki Government and the Roosevelt Administration that made Roosevelt so interested in the problem of providing money and man-power to Mannerheim's White Guard Army?

Whatever the answers to these questions, Roosevelt's statement shows with marvelous clarity what is going on in the thinking of the Administration. They are talking about "relief" and "loans for agricultural purposes."

But they mean soldiers. They mean American boys in uniform dying across the seas for a cause in which they can have no interest, the cause of which Wall Street or London bank shall control the wheat, iron, and commodity markets of the capitalist world.

Roosevelt's foreknowledge of the Mannerheim provocations against the Soviet Union unmasks the active intrigue of the Roosevelt administration with the Helsinki provocations. It proves that the Helsinki Government "was led on" as Dorothy Thompson confessed in her column (Jan. 19) by the Roosevelt government to act as the vanguard of an anti-Soviet aggression.

Roosevelt's budget will throw thousands of American boys into the streets to look for work that Wall Street will not give them.

Does the President propose to America's youth that they shall solve the problems of their jobs and their future by becoming cannon fodder for the Butcher Baron Von Mannerheim?

Holland Is Terrified At Britain's 'Protection'

Mr. Churchill's invitation to Holland and other neutral nations to join in with the British Empire's "war for civilization" has backfired into the face of the British Cabinet.

It seems that Holland wants no part of Mr. Churchill's kindly protection. The Hollanders recognize rather clearly that this kind of "support" from England is like the support which a rope gives a hanging man. It is deadly.

Says the Associated Press: "Representatives of all parties rejected, during a debate in the Dutch First Chamber, the thesis of Winston Churchill that the safety of Europe's neutrals lay in united action with Britain and France."

But that's putting it mildly. The Dutch Chamber bristled with alarm that Britain might THRUST WAR upon the nations that want to stay out of the Anglo-German imperialist squabble over profits and markets. In a typical speech, the spokesman of the Calvinist Party declared angrily:

"The war was not begun in the interest of civilization, of the right and for small nations, but for a particular Europe. England and France are not fighting for the Jews, for Ethiopia, Albania, Austria or Czechoslovakia. Neither is England fighting for Poland, but for her own vital rights."

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Neither does Roumania, it seems, which is now being caught in the feud between Britain and Germany over the exports of oil. Roumania wants to sell oil to all customers, including Germany. Instantly, London jumps in and says to Roumania "Cut that out! We are protecting you, you know, and you must do as we say."

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Every nation which has enjoyed the blessings of the British "protection" has either disappeared or is in grave danger of becoming a battlefield.

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That is what is giving London and Wall Street a headache.

Tweedle-Dee and Tweedle-Dum

Walter Lippmann, the columnist for the *Herald Tribune*, has a permanent headache.

One day he is worried that the two major parties will start discussing issues too freely in the coming election campaign and that the people will get wise to the backstage plans to take the country into war.

The next day, Lippmann's head aches over the thought that maybe the major parties will be too silent and that the people will get suspicious of this too.

But behind all of Lippmann's worries, one basic fact is taken for granted: that today both of the major parties are in general agreement on a war program and that therefore they can afford to suppress discussion where it is necessary to hoodwink the people, or increase the discussion where it will be harmless.

When Lippmann says that "I regard it as a sign that our democracy is healthy when people say just before election that they cannot tell the difference between a Republican and a Democrat," he is giving a sound picture of the two major parties today, as they both drive toward war, disagreeing only as to who will be in the driver's seat.

Lippmann finds it "healthy" for Wall Street when the people cannot tell the Democratic and Republican candidates apart. But it is in just such a situation that the people, and especially labor, must begin to think of building their own mass people's peace party.

A Real Works Program

Nothing illustrates the heartlessness of the Administration's present relief policy than the set of figures just released by Works Project Commissioner Harrington.

According to Harrington, of the 775,000 workers dropped from WPA rolls in July and August under the 18-month dismissal rule, 87 per cent were still jobless in November.

These figures assume even greater significance in view of the fact that if the relief budget is cut to the starvation level asked by President Roosevelt, still another 1,150,000 workers will be fired from WPA in the next eight months—and with no prospects for private employment.

The recent meeting of the National Executive Board of the Workers Alliance examined the whole question of unemployment and the WPA. It found that the WPA—which at best could never be more than a temporary expedient to meet the unemployment problem—has steadily deteriorated. The original "security wage" was abandoned for the prevailing wage. Now the prevailing wage has been scrapped but the "security wage" has not been restored. Today a WPA worker has to put in almost twice as much work as formerly with lower pay. Meanwhile, he is subject to abuse, humiliation and hardships of every kind.

The Alliance will fight against all these grievances and against the further scuttling of the WPA. But, at the same time, it is going to work for a Works Program Bill to provide 3,000,000 jobs immediately on socially necessary projects at prevailing wage scales. After the 1940 census, the figure is to be adjusted to cover 50 per cent of the unemployed who need and can work, but are unable to find private employment.

This program, which will also include provisions for Federal grants to the states for direct relief, should be studied carefully by all those who are affected by the unemployment crisis which is being intensified by the economic disruption of the war.

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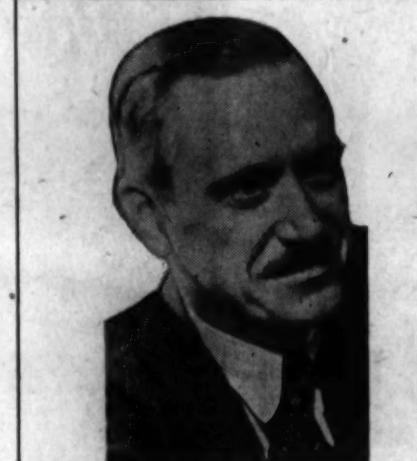
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Fight to Free Browder Is Fight for Peace, Say Telegrams Pouring in From All Sections



EARL BROWDER TAKES HIS CASE TO THE PEOPLE

Reproduced above is cover of new pamphlet: "EARL BROWDER TAKES HIS CASE TO THE PEOPLE," just published in half a million copies. The pamphlet contains Browder's masterly summation to the jury in his own trial on Jan. 22, and his inspiring speech at Madison Square Garden that same night. The pamphlet, selling at 2 cents a copy, is part of the mass campaign to keep Earl Browder free. First copies of the pamphlet were ready yesterday. Orders should be sent to Workers' Library Publishers, P. O. Box 148, Station D, New York, N. Y.

U.S.S.R. UNIONS HIT SANDLER, SWEDISH PRO-WAR LEADER

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 26.—A scathing picture of Rickard J. Sandler, former Swedish Foreign Minister and Social-Democratic leader, as an inveterate foe of the Soviet Union and socialism, is drawn in the Soviet trade union newspaper *Trud* today in an article on Swedish Social-Democracy and its effort to inveigle Sweden into a

smokescreen for British intrigues, for artificial aggravation of imaginary contradictions between the U. S. S. R. and Germany on the instructions of London.

"It was in the name of this neutrality that Sandler helped Britain to entrench itself in Scandinavia, to win stable positions in Sweden's economy and prepare a Scandinavian base for war.

"Sandler often exploited on the neutrality of Sweden, particularly at the conference of the ministers of the Scandinavian countries in Finland. But this was merely a

"When Mannerheim and Tanner

started their bloody provocation, Sandler became the idol of Swedish reaction and the 'activists.'

"But Sandler so compromised himself as an agent of the warmongers that it was found inconvenient at present to challenge the government by naming him a minister in the new government. Still, he continues his propaganda for war.

"The British imperialists are placing a high stake on him. They want to see him at the head of an 'activist' government which, without having to refer diplomatically to a desire to avoid all misunderstandings in mutual relations, would involve the country in war.

"When, during the first imperialist war, the 'Socialist-activists' demanded war against Russia, Hjalmar Branting, then the leader of Swedish Social-Democracy, called this 'short-sighted and ill-fated insanity.' He expelled these adventurers from the party.

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"Yours truly,"

Five New York Lawyers

A group of five lawyers sent this telegram to President Roosevelt: "According to detailed press reports, Earl Browder is being prosecuted on unsubstantial and legally insufficient evidence and after knowledge by the Government for ten years of all facts. Reliable reports state that you have directed the Department of Justice to prosecute such cases and we can only conclude that this is part of the Administration's plan to whip up war hysteria."

Hackensack, N. J., C. P.

"We pledge the fullest support for your release in the fight for peace. Signed, Hackensack Branch of the Communist Party."

Harvester Workers

"Chicago. The bosses framed our leaders at Haymarket. The war-mad hangmen of 1940 are trying to pull the same stunt. We pledge to you, Comrade Browder, that we will protect your freedom with our last ounce of energy. Long live our glorious Communist Party. Signed, Communist Party Branch of the Industrial Harvester McCormick Works."

Ironwood Communists

"Ironwood, Michigan. The splendid Garden rally and the response to your trial made even the press quote at length the most important parts of your historic address. Our District Bureau is proud and inspired by your leadership and pledges to work harder for your freedom and civil rights by rallying Upper Michigan people against war, hunger and reaction. Signed, Emil Garde."

Paterson Communist Party

"Paterson, N. J. We add our voice in protest against your unjust sentence. We resolve you shall not be silenced behind prison bars. Your voice, Comrade Browder, in the interests of the forgotten Illinois, ill-clothed and ill-fed shall ring out in the halls of Congress. We silk and dye workers join the marine and auto workers and say: 'The Yanks Are Not Coming.' Signed, First Ward Branch of the Communist Party."

Chicago C. P. Branch

"Chicago. Your conviction is an attack on the entire working class. We of the 24th Ward of the Communist Party are undertaking a two-week Browder campaign to eliminate in the Lincoln-Browder mass meeting on February 12. We pledge to recruit 15 new members and to spur the sales of defense assessments. Long live our beloved leader Browder; long live our glorious Party."

Philadelphia C. P. Branch

"Philadelphia. The members of Section Five of the Communist Party send you their deepest love and express their determination to stand by your side under your leadership in the joint struggle against the enemies of our Party and those who would lead our country into war. Our Party and Socialism will win the American people. Signed, Harry Casey, chairman."

Dear Comrade Browder:
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I Read the Daily Worker.

Yours truly,
J. S.
age 10+

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Vineland, N. J. Branch

"Vineland, N. J. We pledge our support in the campaign to keep you free to lead our Party in the fight against war and for a Social budget instead of a hunger budget. Congratulations on your brilliant summation speech and the stirring address at Madison Square Garden. Here's hoping you're the first Communist elected to Congress. Signed, Harry Springer Branch."

Long Island Branch

From the Long Island Branch of the Communist Party comes this letter: "Our Branch has unanimously pledged, as an indication of our esteem for you and as a further rebuke to the bourgeois drive to destroy our Party, to recruit eight new members in a 'Browder Recruiting Drive' to end on Washington's birthday. We are also going to intensify our neighborhood work and flood our territory with leaflets and pamphlets and with the Daily and Sunday Worker. The people must learn the truth and learn it immediately; there is no time to lose. We also expect to see you elected to Congress and have already forwarded \$20 to aid in your election campaign."

Buffalo Communists

The John Brown Branch of the Communist Party in Buffalo, N. Y., has resolved as follows: "Our Branch, working amongst Buffalo's greatest concentration of Negro and foreign born workers, pledges its firmest support to the freeing of Comrade Browder, by redoubling our mass neighborhood work in behalf of peace and civil liberties with special concentration on the toiling Negro masses."

New York Musicians

The Stephen Foster Branch of the Communist Party in New York sends in this resolution: "We musicians of Local 802, American Federation of Musicians, denounce vehemently your conviction by a capitalist court and jury." Pledging intensified work and activity, the resolution concludes: "We feel very strongly that the carrying out of these tasks will be a fitting answer to the attempts of the capitalist class to silence your voice, raised in behalf of the great majority of the people in the United States."

Dear Comrade Browder:

I am proud and happy to be a member of our Party in which I have found new life and hopes. I will fight for your freedom and working-class liberation.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

for the bail fund.

Last but not least of my pledges, as a trade unionist, I pledge to organize the unorganized, and as a Party member, to master Marxism and Leninism.

I am proud and happy to be a member of our Party in which I have found new life and hopes. I will fight for your freedom and for working-class liberation. Long live the Communist Party of the United States, the Party of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin, Browder and Foster, the Party of Peace, Progress and Socialism.

H. S.
Br. 20, 2nd A. D. Kings.

Working Press and The Browder Sentence

By Harry Raymond

NEWSPAPERMEN—those of the craft known as reporters—have definitely put thumbs down on Judge Cox's four-year sentence and \$2,000 fine imposed on Earl Browder.

Although their opinions on this matter have not been and will not be published in any of the newspapers of the American war-mongering ruling class for which they work, they have variously characterized the sentence as "outrageous," "vicious," "unfair," "unjust," "rotten," "lousy," "impossible," "spiteful" and "political."

Since the Browder sentence was passed, I have in the course of my work talked with at least a score of reporters, all of whom disagree with me politically to a greater or lesser extent. Not a single one of these mothers' sons—and they work for such august tribunes of the people as the good old Times, the Sun, the Post, the Telegram, the Journal-American, the Tribune and others—agreed with the prevalent editorial opinion of the capitalist newspapers, to wit, that Earl Browder got a fair break and that the sentence was just.

And they ought to know. Among this group were men who covered every conceivable kind of a law suit: conspiracy trials where guilty men "beat the rap" to murder trials where poor innocent East Side kids were sent to the chair to "burn." One was a former foreign correspondent; another a one-time secretary to America's wealthiest publisher. They were reporters who had witnessed at first hand every phase of human endeavor and all manner of human skullduggery. They had interviewed workmen, capitalists, princes, paupers, politicians, churchmen—everybody whose name makes news.

A reporter of the New York Times several years ago is one of these men. I first met him when he worked for the Telegram. We discussed politics when we covered General Hugh Johnson together. He agreed with me only on a few issues. We couldn't see eye to eye politically. But he respected my views. He opposed red-baiting. He had met Browder personally in the professional capacity of an interviewer. He disagreed with Browder.

Yet, when Judge Cox did a job for the war-makers and ordered Browder to prison, he took time out to tell me what he thought of it.

"That sentence was outrageous and vicious," he said. He compared the case with cases of gangsters, racketeers and wealthy crooks who were treated tenderly in the Federal courts. "Assuming that the jury could have done under the circumstances," he continued, "would be to sentence him to 90 days and a small fine."

Some of the newsmen—and I especially recall a lad from the Tribune, a loud-voiced fellow—didn't have much to say, but admitted the sentence "stunk," that it was "political" and send their regards to Browder, whom they said was always gracious to them and helpful during interviews.

Browder is respected among the Fourth Estate. A veteran political reporter of the Bronx Home News has argued with me for hours on end in opposition to my Marxist point of view. I have opposed his bourgeois liberalism. We don't agree. But last Wednesday we found ourselves in agreement on one point: "Browder was sentenced because he is a Communist," he told me. "That's all."

A political reporter for the Journal-American observed that the Browder sentence would lay the base for the mass arrest and sentence of non-Communists "for political reasons under the guise of legal technicalities."

A Long Island Daily Press man, a Queens Democrat, joined others in private denunciation of the court action.

Not one reporter—including a Brooklyn Eagle man who insisted the law was against Browder—had a good word to say about the sentence.

Of course, after this is printed, there will be voices cry out: "But I'm for it. All the newsmen are not against the sentence."

I admit I didn't discuss the matter with Westbrook Pegler, Dorothy Thompson, Walter Lippmann and certain editorial writers and stooges on the various papers. They'll back Judge Cox and Prosecutor Cahill. I don't doubt.

But the honest man of the street—the reporter who does the leg work—the workingman who is the backbone of a newspaper, the exploited member of the so-called Fourth Estate—he just can't stomach injustice.

He's opposed to what happened in Federal Court last Monday.

Melchior Sings Lead From 'Lohengrin,' WJZ, 1:40

Lauritz Melchior sings lead in Wagner's "Lohengrin," from Metropolitan Opera House over WJZ at 1:40 this afternoon. Juilliard Institute of Musical Art presents another of its Alumni Recitals over WMCA at 4 P.M.

SHORWAVE BAND Radio Center, Moscow, 7:00 P.M., \$2.00, 8:00, 12:00, 12:45 Mc. **BROADCAST BAND DAILY PROGRAMS** MON.—TUE.—WED.—THU.—FRI.—SAT.—SUN.—

- 7:00-WNYC—Sunrise Symphony
- WABC—Phil Cook's Almanac
- WMCA—News
- 7:15-WHIN—U. P. News
- 7:30-WQXR—Breakfast Symphony
- 7:45-WABC—Morning News Report
- 7:50-WABC—U. P. News
- 7:55-WABC—Trade News
- WNYC—"Monitor Views the News"
- WEAF—A. P. News
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- 8:15-WHIN—Gramercy Chamber Music
- WEAF—Poly's Shopper
- WQXR—Arthur Huntington, Organ Recital
- WEAF—Woman's Page of the Air
- WABC—Meet New York with Halpern
- WEAF—U. P. News
- 9:00-WNYC—Masterwork Hour, Famous Artists Series
- WEAF—Goodwill News
- WJZ—Breakfast Club
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- 10:00-WABC—Children's Organ Recital
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- 10:15-WHIN—U. P. News
- 10:45-WABC—Child Stories for Children
- WEAF—Bright Ideas Club
- WEAF—"Your Child Grows Up"
- WEAF—Model Airplane Club
- WABC—News WJZ—Dance Music
- WNYC—Hour of Requests Music
- 11:00-WABC—New England Conservatory of Music Concert
- 11:15-WABC—This Wonderful World," Hayes' Picturesque Program
- 11:30-WJZ—"Our Barn," Children's Program
- WOR—Army Band Concert
- 11:45-WNYC—"Our Health" AFTERNOON
- 12:00-WEAF—Milestones in the History of Music, Juilliard School Orchestra Under the Direction of Dr. Nowlan Hansen
- WOR—The Man on the Farm
- WJZ—American Education Forum
- WEAF—Children's Symphony
- WABC—Country Journal
- WHIN—U. P. News
- 12:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
- WHIN—"Microphone in the Sky"
- WEAF—National Farm-Hour
- WABC—"Our Friend," Children's Program
- 12:45-WEAF—Condensed News
- 1:00-WABC—"What's News America?"
- WNYC—Minor Police Alarms
- 1:05-WNYC—Musical Comedy Memorials
- 1:15-WEAF—"Calling All Stamp Collectors"
- 1:30-WABC—Discussion of Women's Business and Professional Problems
- WABC—"University Life," Columbia University Debating Council
- WNYC—American Composers Present

1:45-WJZ—Wagner's "Lohengrin," from the Metropolitan Opera House

1:45-WABC—Golden Gate Negro Male

1:45-WABC—Lauchan of the American Library Association

1:45-WNYC—WOR—Dance Music

1:45-WNYC—Opera Hour

1:45-WHIN—U. P. News

1:45-WQXR—Dance Music

2:45-WMCA—News

3:00-WABC—Columbia Chamber Orchestra

3:00-WABC—Music

3:00-WABC—News

3:00-WABC—"Arranged By"

3:45-WABC—Vera Brodsky, Manist

3:45-WABC—Music

3:45-WEAF—Campus Capers

3:45-WABC—Music

3:45-WABC—"Ball Session," Unrehearsed Discussions by College Students

3:45-WABC—Music

3:45-WABC—Juilliard Institute of Musical Art, Alumni Recital

4:15-WABC—Radio Broadcast

4:30-WABC—Tales of the Police Athletic League'

WQXR—Hour of Symphonic Music

WEAF—KETP Presents

WEAF—Paul, Minn., Winter Carnival

5:00-WMCA—News

5:00-WABC—Dance Music

5:00-WABC—Police Dept. Band

5:00-WABC—Comics

5:30-WABC—Your People's Program in Conjunction with New York Public Library

WNYC—Radio Playhouse

WABC—Dance Music

5:45-WHIN—U. P. News

WNYC—Metropolitan Scene, News of New York City

5:45-WEAF—Kinderkunst

5:45-WABC—Uncle Don WJZ—U. P. News

WABC—Early Evening News

WNYC—Radio Playhouse

5:45-WABC—News from Washington

6:15-WABC—Met' Allien's Sport Review

6:15-WABC—WEPA, P. News

6:30-WABC—Sports News

WEAF—"Let's Get Together," WJZ—"Reefers of the Mounted" WABC—"Way Back to Lasting Friendship"

WABC—Joint Recital, Leonard Pease, Violinist, and David Steiner, Pianist

8:45-WABC—Modern Stars

WOR—Champions, Negro Quartet

WIN—Dick Fisher, Sports Reporter

7:30-WCNY—Answering Pr. Coughlin

WEAF—"Gilbert and Sullivan Hour"

WEAF—"Stan Lomax, Sports Review

WABC—"Message of Israel"

WABC—"The People's Platform Discussion," Can We Control Crime in Youth?"

WOR—Stan Lomax, Sports Review

WEAF—"Let Your Hair Down"

WEAF—Dance Music

WJZ—National Barn Dance

WQXR—Musical Memory Contest

9:30-WABC—Intermediate Debate

WEAF—"South Valley Days"

WOR—Symphonic Strings

WEVD—Spanish Music

9:45-WABC—Dance Music

10:00-WABC—Metropolitan Orchestra

WMCA—New York State Bar Association Dinner

WEAF—Bob Crosby's Dixieland Band

WEAF—Dance Bands

WQXR—Concert Hour

10:30-WABC—"Gay Nineties Review," with Matrice Kay

WEAF—New York—Dance Music

WOR—Music by Moonlight

10:45-WABC—U. P. News

11:00-WEAF—News WQXR—Just Music

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WEVD—Symphonic Hour

Prokofieff in Musical Tribute to Stalin

Noted Composer Well Known to U.S. Music Lovers

The music-loving public in the United States, which knows and admires the musical works of Serge Prokofieff, distinguished Soviet composer, will be intensely interested to know that this gifted musician has just paid tribute to the greatness of Joseph Stalin in a new lyrical work for orchestra and chorus entitled, "Health to Stalin."

The composition was written on the occasion of Stalin's recent 60th birthday celebration.

Built upon folk poetry "Health to Stalin" is based on seven poetical works from the Ukrainian, Mordvin, Mari, Russian, Belarusian, Kurd and Kumyk.

Prokofieff's new work is a beautiful blend of folk songs, as fresh and charming as the flowers of the field. Just in such a manner, simply and unaffectedly, the people voice their deepest, heartfelt emotions, their joy in their new life.

The whole music of "Health to Stalin" is imbued with the spirit of youth, vigor and bright sunshine, steeped in the spirit of Russian melody, in Prokofieff's inimitable style.

Episodes from Joseph Stalin's life are portrayed in a large musical poem by Vano Muradeli, Georgian composer, in collaboration with Vlastimil Yakovlev, well-known writer. Written for orchestra, chorus, soloists and reciter, the poem is in nine parts.

A brief lyrical introduction by the orchestra depicts the years of Stalin's boyhood.

The second part of the poem, dealing with the period of his life in Batumi (southern Caucasus), describes a meeting of the Batumi Social-Democratic organization, led by Stalin. The meeting takes place on New Year's Eve. A woman's voice strikes up a New Year's song and the chorus ends orchestra join in. It is followed by a Georgian drinking song, "The People Wish You Life," rendered by the chorus.

The next episode carries the listener to far-off Siberia, Stalin's first place of exile. A grim, sad song of prisoners, passing into a stormy protest against the despotism of the autocracy, is heard.

Over the country sweeps the revolutionary storm of 1905. Maxim Gorky's "Song of the Stormy Petrel," rendered by the reciter, reminds the audience of this prologue to the Great Socialist Revolution which is to follow 12 years later.

Contemporary life in the land of Soviets is reflected in the chorus and dance music built up on Georgian folk melodies.

A fiery "Hymn to Stalin," performed by soloists, chorus and orchestra, forms the concluding part of the poem.

Boris Shekhter, Moscow composer, has produced a lyrical poem about the small town of Gori, Georgia. Stalin's birthplace. His impressions of his visit to Stalin's birthplace are expressed in sincere and melodious music.

Stars of Stage and Screen Entertain at Flying Club Shindig

Stars of stage, screen and radio will entertain at the first Leap Year Hop of the Jimmy Collins Flying Club, Saturday night, Feb. 3, at the Theatre Arts Center, 117 W. 48th St.

The club, named after the famous working-class pilot, is based in Hangar 3, at Brooklyn's Floyd Bennett Airport, and is engaged in teaching people to fly who cannot afford to take a street car. Its students are fully covered by insurance when they solo, and its roster now include some 30 solo pilots, six private pilots and three commercial licensees. Joe Rosmarin, who flew with the Spanish Republic Air Force is the flight instructor.

The club's plan for the season—including the purchase of a second training ship—will be outlined at the dance and entertainment. Subscriptio-



The main theme of the score of "Health to Stalin" by Serge Prokofieff, distinguished Soviet composer.

March of Time Fable on Bill At Radio City

This week's bill at Radio City is divided between "The Shop Around the Corner," a charming Lubitsch fable about Budapest, and "The Republic of Finland," a vicious March of Time fable about the background and significance of the present Finnish White Guard government.

Cast in the first are James Stewart, Margaret Sullavan, Frank Morgan, Gary Cooper, Joseph Schildkraut, and that remarkable young find, William Tracy.

Headliners in the March of Time are Herbert Hoover, General Manhem, the "popular" Finnish diplomatic representative in Washington, Elmer Davis and other radio propagandists who "tell all" from several thousand miles behind the lines, and finally a group of U. S. Senators, busily finding ways and means to get \$60,000,000 of the American people's money over to the White Guard treasury.

It is by all odds the most blatant piece of war mongering yet perpetrated by the high-powered publicity agents of the "Hoover-Manhem-Chamberlain cause. History is thrown out the window. Maps are distorted. And the American public is informed that its heart is already with the "Allied cause" and Manhem's.

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There is no distortion of fact to crass for the editors of the film to stoop to. They have falsified the date and circumstance of Finland's independence. They have not only falsified the Soviet demands, but they flash a map upon the screen—presumably to illustrate these demands—which in fact has nothing to do with what the Soviet Union asked. They inevitably trip themselves in their own distortions: at one moment the Red Army is so all powerful it can "buy" Hitler and "extort" concessions from all the Baltic States; the next, division after division are "crumbling" before these incredibly talented Manhem troops.

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The supporting cast is excellent and the dialogue is good. But James Stewart somehow never manages to look like the Hungarian store clerk he is supposed to portray. Margaret Sullavan does a little better, but she just misses the very subtle comedy called for by her role. Frank Morgan and Felix Bressart and William Tracy, as the store-owner, the old errand boy, the old errand boy to the nearest divan to speak their piece, to be rushed immediately to the nearest exit to prepare for the next fury into the Jones' apartment where everyone seems to live but the old errand boy is at home. —V. L.

Has Synthetic "Radical" Too

Lloyd Gough, as the queerly compacted radical, lends a humorous punch to the proceedings, despite the nonsensical gibberish of the author's comments. Hugh Marlowe plays Jed in a relaxed flowing manner that adds dignity and substance to a hollow part. And J. Richard Jones, as Jed's kid brother, is winsomely naive as the country rube. The rest of the cast succumbs to the synthetic fury with which the director rushes them on to the nearest divan to speak their piece, to be rushed immediately to the nearest exit to prepare for the next fury into the Jones' apartment where everyone seems to live but the old errand boy is at home.

There is one ominous note—a second baby is on the way at the end, and who knows, it may be used as the excuse for "Brother Rat and Two Babies." Hollywood forbid!

This is fine fare for eight-year-olds.

NOTED ARTIST TO BE HONORED

William Gropper, who will be honored at Mecca Temple on Feb. 17 when his 20 years of creative activity will be celebrated.

Dodging Real Life Is Idea Of 'Young Couple Wanted'

YOUNG COUPLE WANTED by Arthur Wilmurt. Presented by Jerome Mayer. Directed by Martin Gabel. Sets by Donald Oestiger. A: Maxine Elliott's Theatre.

You may have wondered, sometimes, what would happen if a dozen or so daytime radio serials were slapped end to end, and relentlessly thrust upon you. And if you were present at "Young Couple Wanted," you may have wondered, too, at the ingenuity of the author in constructing such a weird marathon without once tripping up on the "commercial."

"Jamming the Joneses" might have been the title of this cute little tale of Jed and Catherine Jones who can't get along because Jed has just been fired. All on account of pickets, egad! And Catherine, too, must give up her job because Newark tots can't be taught by teachers who are married. But Jed's winning spirit will not be downed. He starts his own business, Jam. His kid brother is on the farm producing his "Communist" pig financing and Jed, the one-man sales force storming the town. But those pickets are again. They gum up the works. It looks like a bust. Does Jed go down to defeat? No sir! He goes back where he came from, determined to sell direct from the farm to consumer. It's an ordinary product that Jed's putting out. Not on your life! Who can resist a grape-and-peanut panacea that blossoms on the farm.

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On The Score Board

**Del Tells About
His Favorite
Indoor Sport**

by DEL

(Batting for Lester Rodney and Marmaduke)

(Marmaduke didn't show up this week so cartoonist Del decided to do penance with a guest column for ailing Sports Editor Rodney. Despite Del's aside opening cracks, take it on the q.t. that it's something he's been trying to get off his chest for some time and was prepared to go to any lengths to see it in print).

Red Rodney's in bed, smelling of fruit juices and aspirin, the harried Stan Kurman is running around like a chicken with its head cut off in his frantic endeavors to get the page out practically alone, and so it's up to someone to pinchhit the column. That explains a lot of things except what to do when faced with a typewriter and an early deadline.

Not that there isn't much to write about. There's war in the world today and hunger stalks America, but this is a sports column and that's what makes this profession of sports writing so tough. It sometimes seems strange to be writing sports with the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse blowing their chilling breath right down the back of your neck.

I ought to know. There are times when I've wanted to lace into the forces of darkness, and found that mine is the role of the straw man of The Wizard of Oz, and I'm to sing, "If I Only Had a Brain." So you see, the affinity between the two is much thicker than Abe Lincoln's homoeopathic soup made by boiling the shadow of a pigeon that has starved to death. Hence this fervent desire to help each other in emergency situations.

This allegedly being a sports column permit me to describe my favorite indoor sport. It's a bit on the weird side, in fact some folks call it a perversion, but on Sundays, believe it or not, I tune in "Silver Charlie" Coughlin.

The verbal acrobatics of the fascist father have a strange fascination for me. He's an aerial artist of no mean proportions for he strings through the air with the greatest of ease.

Bolted down to its essential formula, Coughlin's is the fascist technique of always attacking, even when he is caught red-handed; on the theory that the best defense is an attack.

Consider, for example, the case of the "Christian Front." No sooner had the F.B.I. arrested the 18 assorted terrorists of that affront to decent Gentiles called the "Christian Front" than its inspirer began the process of pulling out from under all the celerity of a rat leaving a sinking ship. At the same time he rushed into print with the brazen statement that the C.F. was a creature of the Communists who wanted to embarrass patriotic Gentiles by proving a discredit to them.

Apparently, the Reds were going to blow themselves up just to substantiate the fascist father's contention, for the F.B.I. stated that, among other things, the hoodlums proposed to blow up the Daily Worker building. Seized along with the arsenal of guns and bombs from the gang were floor plans of the building as well as details of the projected bombing.

"Silver Charlie" shortly afterward did an about face, and came to the defense of the terrorists and anti-Semites he had "roundly disavowed." Having mended his fences, pulled wires and seen that the coast was clear the demagogue quickly wrapped the protection of his priestly cloak around the ugly child he had nurtured. The broadcast in which he chose to do this will remain for posterity as a study in fraudulence, deceit, and pure demagogery unparalleled in the history of our times . . . although some other of "our" war-mongers are approaching Charlie in ability and technique.

Historians of the future will point to Coughlin's arguments as a commentary of our times, for here is a verbal chameleon whose arguments change shape, color and form whenever he feels it necessary, and he attaches whatever meaning he chooses to give them at any given moment.

There are some who are inclined to question this indoor sport of mine. They contend that I'd get a lot more fun from diving into a cesspool, if that's the trend my amusements must take.

However, it has its compensations. For example, for years I've been listening to "Silver Charlie" tell the good Jews to throw the bad Jews out of their ranks. I guess some Catholics must have heard about it, for they've gotten the idea.

Now I hear that a lot of good Catholics want to leave out the bad Catholics, and start with the worst of all Catholics called Charles E. Coughlin.

There's going to be a terrific thrill in that knockout blow because behind it will be the power of the millions of Americans who are fighting against the anti-Semitic cannibals, and those who seek to wipe out everything that makes humanity human.

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